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SUBJECT: 1977 POZNAN FAIR: PRESIDENT'S REPRESENTATIVE

1. THE EMBASSY WELCOMES THE NAMING OF CONGRESSMAN ROSTENKOWSKI AS THE PRESIDENT'S REPRESENTATIVE AT THIS YEAR'S POZNAN FAIR. WE ARE WORKING WITH POLISH OFFICIALS TO PREPARE A PROGRAM. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE INVITED THE CONGRESSMAN AND HIS PARTY TO STAY AT THE GOVERNMENT'S KLONOWA HOTEL WHILE IN WARSAW. ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR LAMBERTY WILL BE CONTROL OFFICER FOR THE VISIT.

2. AS MATTERS STAND, THE PROGRAM SHOULD INCLUDE:

A) MEETINGS WITH POLAND'S MOST IMPORTANT INTERNATIONAL TRADE OFFICIALS, B) A HIGH LEVEL POLITICAL CALL, C) SOCIAL EVENTS IN WARSAW FRIDAY AND SATURDAY EVENINGS AND SATURDAY NOON, AND D) THE USUAL FULL POZNAN FAIR PROGRAM OF OPENING DAY, AMERICA DAY CEREMONIES (JUNE 13), AND SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS. ONE OF THE EVENTS WITH POLISH OFFICIALS MAY BE A POOL-SIDE LUNCHEON, SO THE CONGRESSMAN AND HIS PARTY ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING SWIMMING SUITS. THIS WILL DEPEND ON THE WEATHER, WHICH HAS BEEN UNSEASONABLY COOL, IN THE 40'S AND 50'S DURING THE DAY AND DROPPING TO FREEZING

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AT NIGHT. THE FORECAST IS FOR MORE OF THE SAME, SO MEMBERS OF THE PARTY SHOULD BE ADVISED TO BRING APPROPRIATE CLOTHING.

3. THE EMBASSY SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING DRAFT REMARKS WHICH THE CONGRESSMAN MAY WISH TO USE AT THE AMERICA DAY RECEPTION ON JUNE 13. PLEASE ADVISE US WHEN THE

CONGRESSMAN HAS APPROVED THESE REMARKS SO THAT WE CAN HAVE THEM TRANSLATED INTO POLISH AND PREPARED FOR PROPER DISSEMINATION HERE.

4. BEGIN TEXT

I AM HONORED TO HAVE BEEN ASKED BY PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER TO REPRESENT HIM AT THIS YEAR'S POZNAN INTERNATIONAL FAIR. THIS IS MY THORD VISIT TO POZNAN TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL FAIR AND TO ENJOY THE WARM HOSPITALITY FOR WHICH THE PEOPLE OF POZNAN ARE DESERVEDLY KNOWN. THIS CITY HAS LONG PLAYED A VITAL ROLE IN FOSTERING TRADE CONTACTS AMONG NATIONS. TODAY'S FAIR HAD ITS ANTECEDENTS IN THE 13TH CENTURY, WHEN THE VISIONARY PEOPLE OF POZNAN WERE AMONG THE FIRST IN EUROPE TO OFFER THEIR AS A SITE FOR AN INTER-NATIONAL FAIR. THE ANCIENT ST. JOHN'S MARKET (JARMARK SWIETOJANSKI), NOW BEING HELD IN POZNAN'S OLD MARKET SQUARE, RECALLS THIS PROUD TRADITION.

AS AN AMERICAN OF POLISH DESCENT, I AM DEEPLY AWARE OF THE STRONG TIES WHICH HAVE EXISTED BETWEEN POLAND NAD THE UNITED STATES SINCE THADDEUS KOSCIUSZKO AND CASIMIR PULASKI JOINED IN THE STRUGGLE FOR AMERICA'S LIBERATION FROM TYRANNY. HAVING SHARED THE IDEALS OF FREDDOM AND INDEPENDENCE THROUGHOUT OUR HISTORIES, IT IS ONLY FITTING THAT WE NOW ALSO SHARE A COMMON RESOLVE FOR INCREASED CONTACTS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. CONVINCED THAT TRADE IS ONE OF THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MOST IMPORTATN LINKS BINDING NATIONS TOGETHER IN THIS INCREASINGLY INTERDEPENDENT WORLD, PRESIDENT CARTER AND THE CONGRESS JOIN IN ENERGETICALLY SUPPORTING THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF POLISH-AMERICAN TRADE. END TEXT. DECONTROL UPON RECEIPT. DAVIES

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